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THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.
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CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Yen 24,000,000
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CAPITAL UNCALLED 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND 9,000,000

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Branches and Agencies.

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HONGKONG BRANCH—INTEREST ALLOWED. On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the Daily Balance. On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.

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" TARO" HODSUMI, Manager.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1903. [10]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000 RESERVE FUND— Sterling Reserve \$10,000,000 Silver Reserve \$5,500,000 RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS: A. J. RAYMOND, Esq., Chairman. H. E. TONKINS, Esq., Deputy Chairman. G. Balloch, Esq. H. Schubart, Esq. Hon. C. W. Dickson. E. Shellim, Esq. E. Goetz, Esq. Hon. R. Shewan. G. H. Medhurst, Esq. N. A. Siebs, Esq. C. Michelau, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER: Hongkong—J. R. M. SMITH.

MANAGER: Shanghai—H. M. BEVIS.

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For 3 months, 4% per cent. per annum. For 6 months, 5% per cent. per annum. For 12 months, 6% per cent. per annum.

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1903. [11]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3% per cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1902. [12]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,000,000

Paid up Capital £343,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Board of Directors: Chan Kit Shan, Esq. C. Ewens, Esq. Chow Tung Shang, Esq. J. Lauts, Esq. Chief Manager, GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed 5% Hongkong, 19th November, 1902. [13]

THE DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

PAID-UP CAPITAL Sh. Taels 5,000,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN. BRANCHES: Calcutta, Hankow, Tientsin, Tsingtao (Kiautschou).

LONDON BANKERS: Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SONS, UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LTD. DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENCY DIRECTION DER DISCONTO GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account. DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

H. FIGGE, Manager.

Hongkong, 4th October, 1902. [14]

HONGKONG HOTEL.

Military Band during dinner on Saturday Nights.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1902.

GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK (AMERICAN BANK).

ESTABLISHED 1864.

PAID UP CAPITAL U.S. Gold \$2,000,000 SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS \$5,180,000

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INTEREST ALLOWED On Current Accounts at 2% per annum.

On Fixed Deposits:

For 3 months 2 1/2% per annum.

" 6 " 3 1/2 "

" 12 " 4 % "

E. F. GROS, Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1902. [15]

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

HEAD OFFICE—NEW YORK.

FISCAL AGENTS FOR THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN CHINA AND THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Capital paid in, Gold \$4,000,000. Surplus (Reserve) Gold \$4,000,000.

Total Gold \$8,000,000. £1,400,000

Capital and Surplus authorised, Gold \$10,000,000 £2,055,000.

LONDON BANKERS: THE NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND, LIMITED.

THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.

The Corporation buys and sells Bills of Exchange, issue Letters of Credit and carries on every description of Banking and Exchange business. Money received on Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2% per cent. per annum on the daily balances, and on Fixed Deposit as follows:

For 12 months, 4 1/2% per annum.

" 6 " 4 1/2 "

" 3 " 3 % "

HONGKONG—TEMPORARY OFFICE: PRINCE'S BUILDINGS. CHARLES R. SCOTT, Manager.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1903. [16]

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1866.

Shanghai Taels. SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL 5,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL 2,500,000

Head Office—SHANGHAI.

Branches and Agencies: CANTON, PEKING, CHEFOO, PENANG, CHINKIANG, SINGAPORE, CHUNKING, TIENTSIN, HANKOW.

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HONGKONG BRANCH. Advances made on approved securities. Bills discounted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS: per Annum Fixed Deposits for 3 months.

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E. W. RUTTER, Manager.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1901. [17]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS £800,000

RESERVE FUND £650,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4% per cent.

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T. P. COCHRANE, Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd June, 1902. [18]

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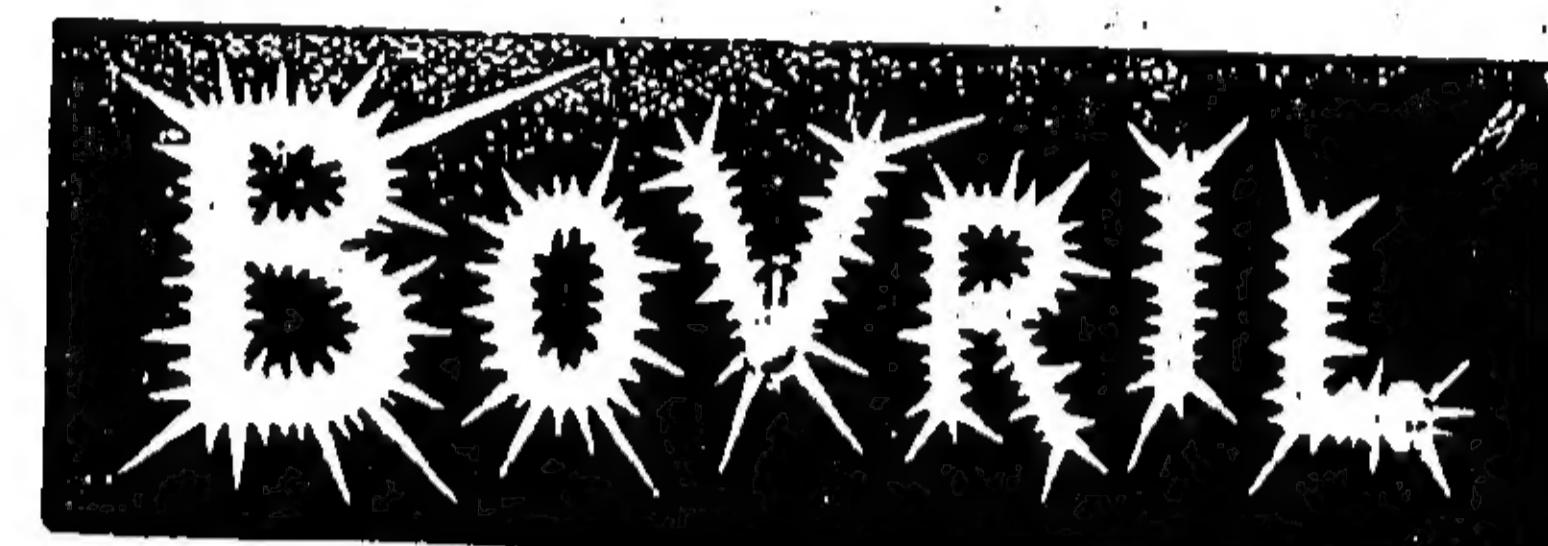
Hongkong, 18th April, 1903. [19]

Intimations.

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N. INUZUKA, Manager, Hongkong [563c]

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Hongkong, 26th January, 1903. [652c]

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MINERAL WATER

THE C.P.R. PURCHASE.

Upon the recent announcement of the purchase by the C.P.R. of the Elder-Dempster line of Atlantic packets, the *Liverpool Journal of Commerce*, published an exhaustive account of the history that has marked the development of the colossal Beaver interests under the able management of Sir Alfred Jones. It will be extremely interesting for many to learn that only in 1898, when the Elder-Dempsters took over the vessels, then known as the Beaver liners, there were only three steamers with a combined tonnage of not much over 12,000 tons.

The whole system has grown out of the sailing fleet owned by the Canada Sailing Company of Montreal. After conducting the business for some years with five ships, it was decided to branch out into steam. In about 1878 the first steamer (*Lake Champlain*) was put on the service, followed immediately by the *Lake Neponset* and the *Lake Megantic*. These vessels were about 2,500 tons register, then considered large ships. Others followed, and a regular service was maintained for years, until the company went into liquidation in 1894. The ships became known as the "Lake" boats, from the name; also as the "Beaver" line because of the house flag, whose characteristic is the animal of that name. In 1895 Messrs. D. and C. MacIver were appointed managers of the fleet, under the title of the "Beaver Line." The fleet consisted of the *Lake Superior*, *Lake Ontario*, *Lake Winnipeg*, and *Lake Huron*. The *Winnipeg* was sold, and in order to secure the mail contract Messrs. MacIver purchased the Canadian *Gallia* and put her in the service, at the same time augmenting the fleet with the Australian liner *Tongariro*. These two latter ships, together with the *Ruspoli*, were owned or chartered by the managers (Messrs. D. and C. MacIver) under the name of the Beaver Line Associated Steamers, Limited, and ran with the others. In December, 1898, the Canada Shipping Company, at Montreal, sold the concern, "lock, stock, and barrel," to Messrs. Elder-Dempster & Co., which firm was then very extensively engaged in the Canadian trade. The fleet, as indicated, consisted then of but three steamers—not, of course, including Beaver Line Associated steamers to engage in the trade. The Canadian mail contract was again secured, and retained for some time.

Although Messrs. Elder-Dempster developed the trade in a very remarkable manner, beating all records as to cargo carrying for several years, it was not considered expedient to launch forth into costly fast passenger steamers for the trade owing to the uncertainty that has for years prevailed in the Ottawa Government. This factor has acted detrimentally to the development of the direct Canadian fast passenger service, for a very high speed service has been talked of for years and those in the trade have been hanging back in order to be ready to enter the lists for a properly subsidized line, and in order not to have expensive ships made obsolete by the demands for a 20-knot service, which might at any time have been sprung upon them. But if the first-class passenger service were neglected in a measure by Messrs. Elder-Dempster & Co., the same cannot be said of the third-class, for the bookings of the line in that direction have been exceptionally heavy during the seasons. In the matter of cargo, however, the greatest possible facilities have been offered by the firm, and it will be remembered that Sir Alfred Jones pointed out some two or three years since that he had made possible for shippers to have their merchandise carried in his ships at the rate of a seventh of a penny per ton per mile—a matter of which any man might well be proud. The immense increase in the Canadian trade since Messrs. Elder-Dempster devoted their energies to it has been most remarkable, and the firm has reaped the benefit of its enterprise and of the natural expansion of British North America. Other shipping lines also have played a prominent part in the building up of Canada, and the name of the great Dominion cannot be considered without them—notably the Allan Line.

Sir Alfred Jones has, however, worked desperately hard in behalf of Canada, and the country owes him a deep debt of gratitude. What it means in one direction alone is indicated by the fact that when his firm bought the Canada Shipping Company (Beaver Line) there were only obsolete steamers of something like 12,000 tons, whereas he disposed of the line after a matter of four years, having a fleet of 14 large steamers aggregating a hundred thousand tons. This great and successful enterprise is then what the C.P.R. is purchasing, and it is a truly magnificent endowment, and one the company has every reason to be well satisfied with and to be right proud of. There is an established business, a fleet of modern steamships, with everything in working order. No occasion exists for the establishment of a new service, with its problematical results, the cutting of rates, losses through ignorance, heavy initial expenses, and other charges which prevent expansion in many directions. The railway company is to be congratulated upon its acquisition, and it is to be hoped, for the purchasers' sake, that the management will remain in the hands of the firm that built up the business, at least for some time to come. It is stated that eventually separate offices will be taken for the line under its altered conditions, but as yet no definite announcement can be made.

It is improbable that Messrs. Elder-Dempster will be engaged independently in the Canadian trade. When relieved of all responsibility of the present branch of the business, which includes sailings from Liverpool, London and Avonmouth, it is a matter for conjecture as to what direction Sir Alfred Jones will then throw his surplus energies. As for the C.P.R., it has secured a business of immense proportions and of colossal potentialities, for which the backing of a great railway's resources, and the advantages such a line possesses in influencing business, together with the rapid advancement of the country, the future promises to be whatever the company might desire to make it.

A SK for ASAHI JAPANESE BEER.—
A. G. GILBERT.

ARMY ESTIMATES FOR HONGKONG.

The following are the details of the Army Estimates for 1903-4 for Hongkong and Weihaiwei so far as they appear on the face of the Estimates (the figures within parentheses are the votes for last year):—

Establishment.—Artillery, Garrison: Three companies, 736 of all ranks. Engineers: One company, 13 officers, 193 men. Infantry: One battalion, 1,012 of all ranks. Army Service Corps: 5 officers, 6 men. Royal Army Medical Corps: 11 officers, 44 men. Colonial and Native Indian Corps: 44 companies of Infantry, four of Local Artillery, one of Local Engineers; 5,689 of all ranks. Army, Ordnance Department, 7; Army Ordnance Corps, 62; Army Pay Corps, 8. Total of all ranks, £7,768.

General Staff—Hongkong: Major-General, £3 a day; deputy assistant adjutant-general, £1 15s.; deputy-assistant quartermaster-general, £1 15s.; aide-de-camp 15s.; total pay, £2,147. Temporary and acting staff, £15; servant allowance, £120; table money, £246; garrison and staff sergeant, £108; civilian and pensioner clerk, £18. Total of General Staff, £6,648—Weihaiwei: Staff Captain, 15s. a day, £374. Temporary and acting staff, £10; servant allowance, £13. Total of General Staff, £297.

Appropriation in Aid—£76,400 (£78,000).

Approximate Annual Cost of Clothing per Man—Hongkong and Singapore Battalion Royal Artillery: Sergeant, £4 19s. 10d.; rank and file, £3 18s. 4d.; recruits, £7 10s. ad.

China Expeditionary Force—Pay, £90,000 (£50,000). Medical Services £5,000 (no amount given for last year). Transport and remounts, £70,000 (no amount given for last year). Supplies, &c., £50,000 (£60,000). Clothing, £1,000 (no amount given for last year). Supply and repair of warlike and other stores, £30,000 (no amount given for last year).

Chinese Regiment—European: Fifteen officers, £5,646; sergeant-major, quartermaster-sergeant, and orderly-room sergeant, and colour-sergeants, seven, £1,152. Chinese: Sergeants nine, £102; buglers, eight, £72; corporals, privates, interpreters, 105, £4,141. And for lance ranks, &c., and for a clerk, £84. Total, £5,554. Deduct for stoppages, day forfeited, &c., £100; leaving £5,354. Total, £11,000.

Hongkong and Singapore Royal Artillery—Four companies at Hongkong, consisting of eight officers and 455 men; and two companies at Singapore, consisting of four officers and 241 men. The pay of the officers is £522, with £65 for additional pay; and that of the men, £5,183, with £3,208 for additional pay, making £6,790. Deductions, £410; leaving £6,380.

Royal Engineers—A company of 50 at Singapore, one of 70 at Hongkong, and one of 50 at Ceylon, £1,648. Deductions, £48; leaving £1,600.

Army Service Corps—Pay, &c., of the Subordinate Establishment: Subordinates continuously employed, £1,005; temporary labour and working pay of military working parties, £145; native labourers, £1,050; transport establishment by land, £555; diutio by water, £915. Total, £3,670.

Chaplain's Department—Hongkong and Weihaiwei: Chaplain, £411; servant allowance, £21; chapel clerks, orderlies, &c., £30 officiating clergy and allowances for contingencies, £330; payment for buildings for divine service, £42. Total, £834.

Army Pay Department—Hongkong: Chief Paymaster, £640; Staff Paymaster, £457; Paymaster, £183; servant allowance, £43; civilian and pensioner subordinate, £20; postage and contingencies, £28. Total, £1,371.

Weihaiwei: Extra duty pay to officers acting as paymasters, £91; postage and contingencies, £10. Total, £101.

Medical Establishment—Hongkong and Weihaiwei: Colonel, £730; nine lieutenant-colonels and officers of lower ranks, £3,370; quartermaster, £200; servant and messallowance, £230. Total pay of Medical Officers, £4,530. Postage and contingencies, £10; nursing service, £280; allowance for board, washing, and clothing, £510; nurses in women's hospital, £164; regimental hospital orderlies and miscellaneous labour, £650; corps pay and extra duty pay, £450.

Army Ordnance Department—Hongkong: Clerks, writers, and other subordinates continuously employed, 160, £1,654; temporary labour, £2,101. Total, £6,755 (£7,140).

Works, Buildings, and Repairs—Commandant's house at Peking: Total estimate for work, £3,500; amount to be voted, £3,300.

Transport, Provisions, &c.—Hongkong and China: Land and inland water transport, £3,000; provisions and separation allowance, £5,100; forage, paillasse, stable, and straw allowance, £3,600; fuel and light, £7,200; field allowance, £200; rents, £2,300; water, £1,100; lodging allowance, £6,000; Colonial allowances, £1,000; advertisements, £30; barracks services, £1,000. Total, £75,630. Appropriations in aid, £400.

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A. G. GILBERT.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the REGISTRAR, SUPREME COURT, to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd April, 1903, at 11 A.M., at their SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,

THE STOCK-IN-TRADE OF CHEUNG WOO'S FIRM, 43, Queen's Road Central; Comprising:—

TWEEDS, FLANNELS, GENTLEMEN'S SHIRTS, FELT & STRAW HATS, LINEN, SOCKS, FLANN-LETTES, HANDKER-CHIEFS, MONEY PURSES, PER-FUMERY, BUTTONS, GENTLEMEN'S BOOTS AND SHOES, SCISSORS, NECK-TIES, COLLARS, WALKING STICKS, SINGLES, RAIN COATS, BRACES, SOAPS, &c., &c.

Also GLASS SHOWCASES, COUNTER, MIRRORS and TABLES will be sold on the Premises, No. 43, Queen's Road Central, at 2.30 P.M.

TERMS:—As usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Government Auctioneers,
Hongkong, 15th April, 1903.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from C. EVANS, Esq., to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION,

MONDAY, the 27th April, 1903, at 10 A.M., DES VOEUX ROAD, (above the Offices of

Messrs. Shewan, Tones & Co.,) commencing at 2.30 P.M.,

THE WHOLE OF HIS VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

(Particulars from Catalogue).

TERMS:—As customary.

On View from WEDNESDAY, 22nd April,

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1903.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from A. CUNNINGHAM, Esq., to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION,

MONDAY, the 27th April, 1903,

at No. 14, DES VOEUX ROAD,

(above the Offices of

Messrs. Shewan, Tones & Co.,) commencing at 2.30 P.M.,

THE WHOLE OF HIS VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE;

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One COTTAGE PIANO, by Broadwood & Sons;

One SINGER SEWING MACHINE (almost new);

One GENTLEMAN'S BICYCLE;

AND

A Few Pieces of TONKINESE INLAID WARE.

TERMS:—As customary.

Further Particulars from Catalogue.

On View from SATURDAY, the 25th April,

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1903.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION,

MONDAY, the 27th April, 1903,

at 3 P.M.,

on board, H.M. UNPROTECTED GUNBOATS

"ESK" AND "FIREBRAND,"

"ESK," "FIREBRAND,"

Extreme length, ... 11 feet, 134 feet.

Breadth, ... 34 " 23 ft. 6 in.

Displacement, ... 363 tons, 455 tons.

Hull, ... Iron, Composite Copper-sheathed.

Engines, ... Hawthorn's Thomson's.

Each with two Cylindrical Tubular Boilers and three wooden masts.

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The Vessels will be open to inspection for seven days before date of sale.

Inspecting orders can be obtained from the Auctioneers.

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A Launch will leave Blake Pier at 2 P.M. and 2.45 P.M. on day of sale to convey intending purchasers.

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Hongkong, 8th July, 1903. [728d]

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A. C. Code.
Lieber's Standard Code.TELEPHONE, 232.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1903. [355e]THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer
made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.BIRTH.
On the 13th April, at No. 3, Makalee Terrace, Shanghai, the wife of C. J. L. STEWART, of a son.

DEATHS.

At 11, Ward Road, Shanghai, on the 13th of April, 1903, EDWIN WALTER TATLOCK, infant son of Thomas and Clara Tatlock, aged 9 months.

At 17, Quinsan Road, Shanghai, on the 13th of April, 1903, at 2.10 a.m., F. F. CARION, aged 56 years and six months. Dearly regretted.

formation regarding the state of affairs would be laid before the meeting. He was sure the people of Hongkong, as hitherto, would be ready to assist in charitable work. This morning we received a visit from the Rev. I. L. Hess, who is Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Christian and Missionary Alliance at Wuchow, and he furnished us with many harrowing details of the starving condition of the natives of Kwei Ping, some 150 miles from Wuchow. Those who have had an opportunity of travelling in the district and of visiting the homes, if homes they can be called, and of seeing the famished-stricken peasants realise how great and how pressing is the need for help. Mr. Hess told us of some of the heart-rending scenes which have come under his own observation in Kwei Ping. One old woman, he says, over 80 years of age, was found sitting on the city wall with a bowl of rice by her side, and had evidently died while in the act of eating. Men have fallen and died waiting for their turn to receive tickets entitling them to receive food, which the Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Fee and the Rev. H. Zehr are distributing. Babies, were skeletons, are left on the roadside by their mothers who have nothing with which to feed them; while children, are being sold into slavery in order to obtain rice. Many of the innocent creatures thus disposed of are led into a life of sin and shame; it is supposed that between 2,500 and 3,000 have been sold out of the province—at least this is the number conceded by officials. Such details could be multiplied by those who are continually on the spot, but enough has been given to show the terrible privation and suffering that is being experienced to-day comparatively close to the port of Wuchow. As we have pointed out in previous issues, crops have continually failed in that district on account of drought, and as a result the inhabitants have torn up stumps of trees and cut grass to prepare and mix up with their rice. The Rev. and Mrs. Fee and the Rev. Zehr are engaged distributing food to hundreds of natives who are dependent upon them for it, and some \$2,000 have already been expended to alleviate the suffering; but a cry of want is heard on every side. The Rev. Hess has come to Hongkong for the purpose of obtaining additional help, and has called upon the Governor in relation to the matter. To-morrow a conference will be held at which the most suitable means of raising funds will be discussed. Hunger, with its terrors, calls for prompt action and an appeal to the foreign and native communities of Hongkong should meet with a liberal response.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held this afternoon in the Council Chamber. There were present—His Excellency the Governor (Sir H. A. Blake, C.M.C.), His Excellency Major-General Sir W. J. Gascoigne, K.C.M.G. (Officer Commanding the Troops), Hon. F. H. May, C.M.C. (Colonial Secretary), Hon. Sir H. Spencer Berkeley, K.B. (Attorney General), Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson (Principal Civil Medical Officer), Hon. Commander R. M. Rumsey, R.N. (Harbour Master), Hon. A. M. Thomson, (Colonial Treasurer), Hon. W. Chatham (Director of Public Works), Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, Kt., C.M.C., Hon. C. W. Dickson, Hon. R. Shewan, M.P., Gershon Stewart, Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, Hon. Wei A. Yuk and Mr. R. F. Johnson, (Acting Clerk of Councils).

Dr. J. M. Atkinson took his seat for the first time in place of Mr. F. J. Badeley, and Mr. Gershon Stewart was admitted as a member of Council in place of the Hon. C. S. Sharp. The usual oaths were administered.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.

On the proposition of the Hon. May, seconded by Hon. Thomson, the Financial Minutes were referred to the Finance Committee.

PAPERS.

Officers' reports for 1902 were laid on the table as follows:—

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH, THE SANITARY SURVEYOR, AND THE COLONIAL VETERINARY SURGEON, CAPTAIN SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, SUPERINTENDENT OF VICTORIA GARDEN, DIRECTOR OF THE OBSERVATORY, AND THE INSPECTOR OF SCHOOLS.

THE SUPREME COURT RETURNS, STATEMENT OF WATER ACCOUNT, FINANCIAL RETURNS, AND RETURNS OF THE SUBORDINATE COURT FOR THE SAME PERIOD WERE LAID ON THE TABLE, TOGETHER WITH THE REPORT OF THE EXAMINERS OF QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

BY-LAWS.

The Hon. Dr. Atkinson introduced the by-laws made under section 16 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, No. 1 of 1903.

NEW TERRITORY LAND SETTLEMENT.

The Hon. Shewan asked the following questions of which he had given notice:—

1. Will the Colonial Secretary inform the Council when the Land Settlement in the New Territory was commenced, and when it is now expected to be completed?

2. Will the Colonial Secretary give an explanation of the delay in settling his matter, almost four years having elapsed since the date of the concession?

3. What is being done towards carrying out the scheme for augmenting the water supply by pumping from Tyam Tuk?

4. As the permanent works must occupy some time to construct, are any steps being taken, of a temporary nature, to afford an increased supply, and if so, what?

The Hon. May replied to the first question:—

The Land Settlement of the New Territory commenced with the establishment of the Land Court on 1st June, 1903, the settlement will be completed when (a) all Crown lands have been delimited and marked out from land in private ownership, (b) all genuine disputes as to the ownership of land—whether existing before the Convention, or originating with it—have been decided, (c) a uniform system of land tenure has been devised and put into working order, (d) a rent roll based upon the maps is available for revenue collection.

To the second answer he replied:—The rent roll will be ready this year and the Titles Ordinance has been passed by the Council. The survey and demarcation of the mainland is completed. But the whole of the work of land settlement will probably not be completed before 1906. The chief difficulties have been (a) the enormous number of very small holdings of which there must be over a quarter of a million in the territory. This has necessitated an elaborate scheme of demarcation, that is, of marking out holdings which is only just completed. (b) The want of any system in dealing with land under Chinese law. There was no survey and the so-called Registry of the District Magistrate is a registry of deeds and not a land registry at all. (c) There were numerous lawsuits pending in the Chinese courts, which, having languished for years through lack of funds, shot up into activity with the enormous increase of the value of land consequent upon the Convention. Expropriation being out of he question a patient sifting of the evidence has been the only procedure open to the Land Court.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

In reply to the third and fourth questions, the Hon. Chatham said:—Trial works are in progress at the head of Tyam Bay for the purpose of ascertaining the nature and level of the solid bottom with a view to constructing a storage reservoir there. The site selected for the dam is at low water mark, about 700 yards S. E. of Tyam Tuk Village. Three brick wells are being sunk which show the nature of the strata overlying the rock, and will permit of the rock itself being examined. The wells are supplemented by numerous borings, from which a chart of the rock bottom can be prepared. The furthest advanced well extends from twenty feet above to 40 feet below low water, and it is believed to be within six feet of the rock. It is only settling about an inch per day at the present time, although it weighs, together with load, on top of it, 115 tons, and is kept undermined by constant pumping and excavating. The external load is already somewhat in the way of the work, but steps are being taken to increase it, as the best means of overcoming the retarding friction due to the lateral pressure of the surrounding earth. So far, indications are not unfavourable to the ultimate adoption of this site for the dam. A dam 400 feet in length, on this site, with an overflow at a height of 60 feet above low water, would impound about 1,200,000,000 gallons, or about two and a half times the aggregate capacity of all the present storage reservoirs. It would intercept the rainfall from a direct catchment area of about 300 acres. This includes 700 acres the rainfall of which is intercepted by the Taitam Reservoir as long as it is not overflowing. The available catchment area would be very much increased by the inclusion and extension of the present catchwater system. The lower part of the Taitam Valley has been minutely surveyed, and a chart has been prepared, which is laid on the table, from which the capacity of any proposed reservoir situated anywhere between low water level and the 200-foot contour can be calculated. By means of this chart the line of a proposed road, to connect the new reservoir with the Tyam Tuk Reservoir, has been marked out, and a trace is now being cut with a view to preparing working drawings from the construction of the road. The rising main from the pumps at Tyam Tuk to the Tyam Tunnel will be laid along this road. A contract has been entered into for the supply of duplicate pumping engines, each capable of delivering 1,250,000 gallons daily from the new reservoir into the Tyam Tunnel. The construction of a new reservoir, in the by-pass channel of Tyam Reservoir, was commenced 15 months ago, and is now well advanced. It will be partly available this season, when completed it will hold about 30,000,000 gallons, and it may be filled more than once a year. A small reservoir has been commenced, in the bed of a perennial stream,

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about half way between Tyam Tuk and the Tyam Reservoir; a temporary pump will be erected at this point, capable of delivering 500,000 gallons per day into the Tyam Tunnel. Should the Tyam Reservoir cease to overflow by the 1st of September this year, the pump may be depended upon to deliver about 10,000,000 gallons during the ensuing dry season. The permanent pumping engines at Tyam Tuk will afterwards be connected with this reservoir, and will pump from it until the large reservoir has been partly erected. A temporary main is now being laid from the reservoir to the Tyam Tunnel.

STOWAWAYS ORDINANCE.

The Bill entitled An Ordinance to provide for the more effectual prevention of frauds on owners and charterers of ships by stowaways, their aids and abettors, was read a first time.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was then held, the Hon. May presiding. The following recommendations from H.E. the Governor were then considered.

HARBOUR MASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

To vote a sum of \$4,500 in aid of the Harbour Master's Department. Vote—Steam-launches, Other Charges—to provide for a new boiler for the Government launch Victoria.

THE LAND COURT.

To vote a sum of \$1,600 in aid of the vote of \$3,000 for Personal Emoluments for member, Land Court, New Territory.

HONOR FOR RATS.

To vote a sum of \$8,000 in aid of the vote of \$2,000 for Bonus for Rats, Other Charges, (Plague) Sanitary Department.

POST OFFICE.

To vote a sum of \$500 in aid of the vote for Personal Emoluments, Post Office, made up as follows:—

SALARY OF DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT.

Money O. D. Office, increased from \$1,680 to \$1,800 per annum as from the 1st January, 1903. \$120.00

Salary of Post Office Agent, Hankow, Subhead (Agencies in China), increase from \$50 to \$70 per annum, as from the 1st January, 1903. \$180.00

Total. \$300.00

STAMP OFFICE.

To vote a sum of \$441 in aid of the vote for Personal Emoluments, Stamp Office, Sub-Department to Treasury, made up as follows:—

SALARY OF ADDITIONAL SHORFF AT \$480 PER ANNUM FROM 1ST APRIL TO 31ST DECEMBER.

December, 1903. \$360.00

SALARY OF ADDITIONAL PRESIDENT AT \$108 PER ANNUM FROM 1ST APRIL TO 31ST DECEMBER.

December, 1903. \$81.00

Total. \$441.00

HIBON TERRACE NULLAH.

To vote a sum of \$2,400 (Public Works Extraordinary) to meet the cost of training the Nullah above Kipoo Terrace.

EDUCATION.

To vote a sum of \$7,532.16 in aid of the vote for Education, Personal Emoluments, made up as follows:—

HALF-SALARY OF MASTER AND SUPERVISOR, SAYINGPUN SCHOOL, FROM 25TH DECEMBER, 1902, TO 31ST JANUARY, 1903, AND FULL SALARY FROM 1ST FEBRUARY TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1903, AT \$270 PER ANNUM, \$3,421.16

SALARY OF MASTER AND SUPERVISOR, YAUATI SCHOOL, AT \$17 PER ANNUM, FROM 1ST MARCH TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1903. 2,880.00

DIFFERENCE OF SALARY FOR MASTER AND SUPERVISOR, WANCHAI SCHOOL, BETWEEN \$1,800 IN ESTIMATES AND \$180 PER ANNUM. 504.00

DIFFERENCE OF SALARY FOR MASTER, YAUATI SCHOOL, BETWEEN \$1,800 IN ESTIMATES AND RATE OF \$70 PER ANNUM FOR 10 MONTHS. 192.02

SALARY OF ASSISTANT MASTER, YAUATI SCHOOL, FOR 10 MONTHS AT \$240 PER ANNUM. 240.00

WAGES OF COOLIE, YAUATI SCHOOL, FOR 10 MONTHS AT \$84 PER ANNUM. 7.00

Total. \$7,532.16

PILLAR BOXES.

To vote a sum of \$140 in aid of the vote for Personal Emoluments, Post Office.

SALARIES OF MEN TO CLEAR PILLAR BOXES.

\$120 PER ANNUM FROM 1ST APRIL TO 31ST DECEMBER.

\$540.00

GAOL DEPARTMENT.

To vote a sum of \$135 in aid of the vote under Personal Emoluments, Gaol Department.

HOUSE ALLOWANCE IN LIEU OF MARRIED QUARTERS TO WARDER SINGH AT \$180 PER ANNUM FROM 1ST APRIL TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1903. 135

POLO CLUB GYMKHANA.

Ideal racing weather graced the first meeting of the Polo Club Gymkhana, on the Race Course at Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon and among those present were Major-General Sir William Gascoigne, K.C.M.G., and Lady Gascoigne. The first saddling bell was rung punctually at 2 p.m. The following are the brief results.

POLO PONY RACE FOR BONH-FIDE POLO POSES.

To be passed as such by the Polo Committee; up the straight; catch weights, over 1st, 7lbs; riders to line up at the starting post with their ponies turned away from the winning post and on the fall of the flag to turn round and gallop in.

ENTRANCE FEE.

Mr. Johnstone's Vanity, 1st, 7lbs. (Mr. Johnstone)

Gedge's Punch, 1st, 7lbs. (Mr. Gedge)

Kitchener's Norah, 1st, 7lbs. (Mr. Kitchener)

TELEGRAMS.

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Canton Rice Shops Closed.

PROTEST AGAINST SAMSHU TAX.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, April 20th, 10.40 a.m.

All the rice shops in Canton closed their doors at noon yesterday as a protest against the new tax on samshu. Seven men have been arrested for non-payment of the tax, and everyone is very much opposed to the movement. Trouble is expected. At the time of wiring the rice shops remain closed.

(Reuters.)

The King's Tour.

LONDON, 17th April. The King received a great ovation on landing at Malta. He replied to various addresses by separate speeches and attended a State Opera in the evening.

President Loubet's Tour in Algiers. President Loubet has gone to Oran.

The Somaliland Expedition.

Reuter's Agency at Aden reports that on the 17th instant a despatch was received from Col. Manning stating that his column had engaged the enemy southwest of Galadi inflicting heavy losses and capturing immense quantities of live stock. British casualties, one killed.

LATER.

The Albanian Insurrection.

An official despatch from Constantinople states that the Sultan's mission to pacify the Albanians was surrounded by several hundred Albanians and are practically prisoners. The Albanians absolutely decline to accept the Macedonian Reform Scheme.

Acc'dent to "Shamrock III."

"Shamrock III." has been caught in a squall off Weymouth and completely dismasted. Sir Thomas Lipton was knocked down the hatchway and bruised but not seriously hurt.

18th April.

One of the crew of the "Shamrock" was drowned and several injured. The King has telegraphed his sympathy to Sir Thomas Lipton.

British Railway Enterprise in China.

The Duke of Westminster has been informed that at the instance of the British authorities the Peking Syndicate and the British Chinese Corporation have concluded an agreement to work jointly all their railway concessions north of the Yangtze, thus terminating the prolonged rivalry which has hampered the Foreign Office from supporting British railway enterprise in China to the benefit of foreign competitors.

(N. C. D. News.)

Politics in Japan.

Tokio, 14th April. A split has occurred in the ranks of the Seiyu, some eighty members of the Diet having seceded, declaring that they are unable to continue rendering blind obedience to leaders who pursue a policy of endless waiting on events.

They demand that all the officials of the party shall henceforth be elected by a general vote, and all grave questions be decided in a similar manner.

This plain revolt against the authority of Marquis Ito and the Moderates may involve an important re-casting of parties.

The Evacuation of Manchuria.

Tokio, 14th April. The Russian Representative at Peking has assured a Japanese correspondent that it has been resolved at St. Petersburg to evacuate Manchuria, but he warned him that any display of truculent impatience on the part of Japan will strengthen the hands of the War Party at St. Petersburg, and thereby compromise the situation. He added that the delay in the rendition of Nanchang is due to the sanitary problem.

(Shanghai Mercury.)

The Stranded "Victoria."

PROSPECTS GOOD.

Chefoo, 13th April. Salvage operations have been commenced on the stranded steamer "Victoria." The prospect of getting the vessel off now appears good. Divers are now at work on the damaged hull.

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGE OF MISS BLAKE.

The numerous friends of Miss Blake, both in the Colony and abroad, will have occasion to congratulate her upon her engagement with Capt. F. B. Arbutnott, M.V.O., of the Scots Guards, and side-de-camp to H. E. the Governor. We understand the marriage is to take place at an early date, and let us hope it will be in Hongkong where both the side-de-camps and his friends are so popular in social circles.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL SERVICE.

NEW STEAMERS.

It is stated that in the course of this year the Norddeutscher-Lloyd, Bremen, will put a new type of twin-screw steamers in the Imperial German Mail service. The "Zieten" (due here shortly) is the first of the five steamers of this type, the four others being the "Roon," the "Seydlitz," the "Gneisenau" and the "Scharnhorst." They are ships of about 7,000 tons gross register, and are able to carry 95 first-class passengers, 71 second-class, and up to 2,000 third-class deck passengers.

These steamers are to replace the steamers of the Stuttgart type and also in the off-season the well-known Sirs "Kong Albert" and "Princess Irene." The last-mentioned two steamers are at present on the Mediterranean service of the Norddeutscher-Lloyd, plying between Genoa, Naples, Gibraltar, and New York, but will again return to the Imperial German Mail line during the passenger season.

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FRENCH FLAGSHIP IN PORT.

At about three o'clock yesterday afternoon, the new French twin screw armoured cruiser "Montcalm," carrying the flag of Vice-Admiral Maréchal, entered the harbour from Saigon. The "Montcalm," which has a very imposing appearance with her four funnels, two at the fore and two at the aft, and two huge military tops pierced with grim looking guns, was built at La Seyne in 1900. She is steel sheathed throughout and has a deck plating of 2". Her displacement is 9,517 tons, and her 45 ft. 6 in. beam, 6 ft. 8 in. and depth 27 ft. 3 in. Her indicated horse power is 19,600, and she is capable of accomplishing 21.0 knots. Her armament consists of 27.6 in., 8.6 in. Q.F., 4.39 in. 16.1 in., 6.1 in. She also carries two submerged torpedo tubes. Her complement is 612 men.

THE LILLIPUTIANS.

A matinee of "La Mascotte" was given at the City Hall on Saturday when a number of Hongkong's coming generation were very delighted with the piece. The enjoyment of the occasion, however, was marred by three youths selfishly disturbing the peace. Ice cream was served at the interval, and not contented with breaking a saucer, one of them used a piece of it as an aimless missile, which struck the fore-head of a Portuguese youngster who howled dismally. A "Gaiety Girl" was staged on Saturday night, and the clever little artists acted, danced and sang in the admirable style which has marked all their performances. Daphne Pollard, about "three copper" high, acted the part of the "chaplin" and in conjunction with Miss Ruby Roberts, the chaplin's daughter, was a great success. Master Fred. Pollard's rendering from the pit of "Please go away and let me sleep" to the acting of Master Edward MacNamara, as "Corporal Lance," was repeated; likewise Master Willie Thomas' "I tickled him." Miss Myrtle Trotter proved to have a melodious voice in the rendering of "Tommy Atkins," a popular song and greatly appreciated. Miss Myrtle Pollard did indeed sing very prettily. Nothing was more attractive than the seven young ladies who figured on the programme as "gaiety girls."

A "Gaiety Girl" will be repeated to-night. To-morrow night is positively the final performance of this season in Hongkong, when the success of the Manila season, "Pouc's Cafe," will be presented. The following is the cast:—Mr. MacNamara, (American millionaire), Master Oscar Heinz; Dr. Arduini, (theatrical agent), Miss Ivy Trott; Lord Chumley, Miss Irene Goulding; Karl Gogenheimer, Miss Flute-Blow; and Weissheimer, (three dead beats); Master Jack Pollard, Miss Daphne Pollard and Miss Alice Thomas; Miss Myrtle Pollard; Miss Alice P. Pollard; Mme. Zelarino, Miss Alice McNamee; and Mechanical Doll, Miss Lillie Moore. Act II.—"Ivy and Cleopatra"; "Antony, Miss Oscar Heinz; Prince Roger, Miss Irene Goulding; Dinky de la Rose, Miss Fred Bindis; Miss Myrtle Pollard; Krol, Master Jack Pollard; Miss Myrtle Pollard; Master Willie Thomas; Cleopatra, Miss Alice Pollard; and Octavia, Miss Irene Goulding. Act III.—"Same cast as first." Act I, A street in Par; Act II, A Roman Wond; Act III, The Silver Glen. Introduced: Numbers—"Bobby Shannon" and "The Doll Song," by Miss Ivy Trott; "Under the Bumboo Tree," and "Rose of Killarney," by Fred Pollard; "The Kiss Kiss Sittin' Fiftie"; "Spanish Dance," little Miss Myrtle Pollard; "The Tambourine (Ballet)," "Rip Van Winkle was a Lucky Man," by Miss Ivy Trott.

THE EXCHANGE QUESTION IN HONGKONG.

Dealing with this question, the "Manchester Guardian," after quoting from the "North China Herald," says:—The difficulty seen by the Hongkong Committee in the way the proposed change was the proximity of the island to China. It was apparently that so long as China has a free silver currency Hongkong must remain on the same monetary basis or lose much of her trade as an emporium for China. We are not quite sure that this necessarily follows, though the introduction of the gold standard into Hongkong would be objectionable on the other grounds. India's yarn exports to China have undoubtedly suffered by consequence of the fall in the China exchange, which has, of course, necessitated higher prices in China for Indian yarns or compelled the Indian producers to accept lower rupee prices. But there are reasons for thinking that the difficulty is proving temporary so far as this branch of Indian trade is concerned, and that adjustments are in progress. India's competitor in the yarn trade in the China markets, Japan, is also on the gold basis of value, and therefore as an exporter to silver-using countries such as China she is handicapped precisely as India is. On the other hand, Japan has the advantage of proximity to the island to China, which has coincided with an abundant crop of indigenous cotton in China. Of course, under the circumstances, the raw cotton of China competes with Indian raw cotton in the Japan market, and thus hits the Indian cotton planter; but the falling off in the Japanese demand for the Indian staple at least tends to secure an abundant and cheap supply of the raw material for the Bombay and Bengal mills. It is therefore conceivable that Hongkong and Singapore might manage to carry on their trade, as India and Japan do, on a gold basis. The commercial and industrial interests of both places might, however, suffer seriously through a contraction of the currency and a stringent money market if gold were adopted, and the stability of both the Indian and Japan exchanges might be endangered by the additional demand for the yellow metal. The Committee of the Hongkong Chamber arrived at a decision against the gold standard in 1897, and the Committee of the same Chamber is apparently of the same mind to-day. But the public generally in Hongkong—and it is added, probably a majority of the members of the Chamber of Commerce—do not agree with the Committee's decision. The position, it is urged, is now much worse than it was in 1897: the evils of an unstable rate of exchange have been greatly intensified, and the fall in the gold value of investments in silver securities has been enormous, and is in itself—as we indicated by some quotations the other day—certainly a very serious consideration. The demonetisation of silver in Siam and the apprehension that a similar change will be made in the French settlements in Indo-China, it is urged, may involve a further fall in the exchange value of the white metal. Indeed, it is now suggested that the dollar exchange may actually fall below that of the rupee, a silver coin only about half the weight of the dollar. The official class in Hongkong may be expected to take the gold view of the matter. What is immediately desired by the advocates of a change is that the Government should extend to Hongkong the labour of the Commission appointed to inquire into the Straits currency system, with a view to any measure which may ultimately be recommended being simultaneously put into operation in Hongkong and the Straits Settlements. It seems, therefore, not improbable that

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considerable pressure may be put on the Government from Hongkong in favour of the adoption of a gold-rated currency there and in the Straits Settlements, and the more so as the lower silver falls the lower would probably be the ratio to gold adopted should any such measure of relief be finally determined on. The movement obviously and for various reasons deserves the attention of bankers and financiers generally.

CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, April 17th.

THE EXPLOSION.

It seems to be pretty certain that the number of deaths occasioned by the explosion is twenty-two. Four were killed outright and the others have died from the result of their injuries. At first it was reported that the explosion was caused to prevent the frauds occasioned by the sale and removal of powder being exposed. Now it is reported that the deputy who had charge of the magazine was on the ground and was killed by the explosion. However, it is not likely that any more light will be thrown upon the circumstances connected with this catastrophe. The damage to the houses in the neighbourhood is very considerable. Whole villages have been unroofed, doors and windows blown out, and walls badly damaged. The leper village situated half a mile from the magazine is badly wrecked. The new chapel of the Presbyterian Mission at the leper village had its windows blown out and the tile roof badly broken and the walls cracked. The officials are doing some little repairs in the villages, but in the majority of cases the amount of oil given is so small that it practically amounts to nothing.

A SHOOTING AFFAIR.

A row occurred in the city a day or two ago between two of the new city police. Revolvers were freely used and one man killed and three or four others wounded. The Nam Hoi tried to cover up the affair by blaming a beggar for causing the row, but was promptly rebuked by his superiors.

THE POLICE WITH THE BATONS.

The number of police with batons patrolling the city is on the increase. These men are a respectable looking lot and a decided improvement over the old guards. These men keep moving along the streets and appear to be looking after their beats.

THE PLAGUE.

There is a considerable amount of plague in the city, and deaths are reported from many sections. The death rate in the city must have increased for the coffin shops are now very busy. In several villages east from Canton the plague has been very bad. In most instances the plague has been taken to these villages by some one from Canton, or Hongkong. In one village, near Shek Tung, 40 have died out of a population of two hundred.

REV. MR. WILLIAMS SERIOUSLY ILL.

The Rev. Mr. Williams, of the Southern Baptist Mission, was brought to the Canton Hospital on Wednesday night suffering from appendicitis. He was operated upon by Drs. Swan and Todd yesterday and is in a very critical condition.

Commercial.

FREIGHT.

In their freight market report, dated from Shanghai, 16th inst. Messrs. Wheelock & Co. state:—The fortnight under review has been a busy one for our Homeward Freight market, and cargo has been fairly plentiful both to Europe and America, the next boats to land on these berths should therefore receive good support.

Coastwise.—Since last writing rates have declined in various directions, and although there is not much spare tonnage offering for employment, the tendency is decidedly weaker whilst for monthly charter rates that were obtainable a month ago are now quite out of the question.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer 1.71
" Bank Bills, on demand 1.71
" Credits, 4 months' sight 1.71
" D'ments 4 months' sight 1.71
ON BERLIN, (demand) M.1.67
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand 2.04
" Credits, 4 months' sight 2.08
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand 2.92
" Credits, 30 days' sight 4.01
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer 1.21
" On demand 1.22
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer 2.71
" Private to day's sight nom.
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T. 1.91
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate \$12.17
Gold Leaf too touch, per tael 63.20
Bar Silver 23.16

OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—
MALWA NEW @ 97/980
" LAST YEAR @ 1,000, 1,020
OLDEST @ 1,070, 1,120
PATNA NEW @ 1,035
BENARES NEW @ 1,022
PERSIAN (PAPER) @ 700/750

CO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

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PORTUGUESE CLERK for Coast-Port. A. Must have some experience in General Office Work. Knowledge of Type-writing and Book-Keeping desirable. Fair Salary. Applications to "M.F." C/o Office of this Paper.

Hongkong, 20th April, 1903. [500]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION:

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 27th day of April, 1903, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, at Macdonnell Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, commencing from the 25th day of March, 1903, on the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

Reg. No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.				Contents in Square Feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
		N.	S.	E.	W.			
feet	feet	feet	feet	feet	feet	feet	feet	feet
403	403	66.6	100	133	140	80	100	100

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CO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

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feet	feet	feet	feet	feet	feet	feet	feet	feet
403	403	66.6	100	133	140	80	100	100

Hongkong, 20th April, 1903. [500]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, for ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, on THURSDAY, the 23rd April, 1903, at 11 A.M., at their SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street, 27 Cases MISTELA CLARETE; 54 Cases MISTELA BLANCA; 9 Cases PORT WINE; 10 Cases GIN; 5 Cases SHERRY;

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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PATROCLUS"	On 23rd April
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"CALCHAS"	On 30th April
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"HYSON"	On 9th May
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AJAX"	On 18th May
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR"	On 25th May
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PELEUS"	On 1st June.

S.S. "PATROCLUS" left Singapore 18th instant and is expected here 23rd instant.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LIVERPOOL via MARSEILLES	"PINGSUEY"	On 21st April.
MARSEILLES, L'ION & A'WERP	"DEUCALION"	On 28th April.
MARSEILLES, L'ION & A'WERP	"JASON"	On 12th May.
LIVERPOOL via GENOA	"AGAMEMNON"	On 17th May.
MARSEILLES and ANTWERP	"TANTALUS"	On 21st May.
LONDON	"PATROCLUS"	On 26th May.
LONDON	"CALCHAS"	On 9th June.
LIVERPOOL via GENOA	"HYSON"	On 12th June.

S.S. "PINGSUEY" for Marseilles and Liverpool has arrived and leaves for Singapore at daylight to-morrow.

* Taking cargo for Liverpool at London rates.

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VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via	"AJAX"	On 20th May.

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Hongkong, 20th April, 1903.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"KALGAN"	21st instant.
MANILA	"TAIYUAN"	21st "
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY 15, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNS- VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"TAIYUAN"	21st "
MANILA	"SUNGKUANG"	22nd "
SHANGHAI	"PAOTUNG"	22nd "
CEBU and ILOILO	"SINGAN"	23rd "
KOBE	"KAIFONG"	25th "
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Hongkong, 20th April, 1903.

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PERLA	1980	J. McGinty		

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PROPOSED SAILINGS.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.

Destinations.	Steamers.	Captains.	Sailing Dates.
FOR FOOCHOW	"ANPING MARU"	J. Goto	WEDNESDAY, 22nd April.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIJIN MARU"	T. Ogata	SUNDAY, 26th April.
FOR ANPING	"MAIDZURU MARU"	T. Saito	WEDNESDAY, 29th April.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIGI MARU"	T. W. Groves	SUNDAY, 3rd May.

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The Company's new steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China and Formosa and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is provided for 1st class passengers, and a duly qualified doctor is carried.

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T. ARIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, 20th April, 1903.

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Departures from HONGKONG to MACAO,

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Hongkong, 10th March, 1903.

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Hongkong, 14th March, 1903.

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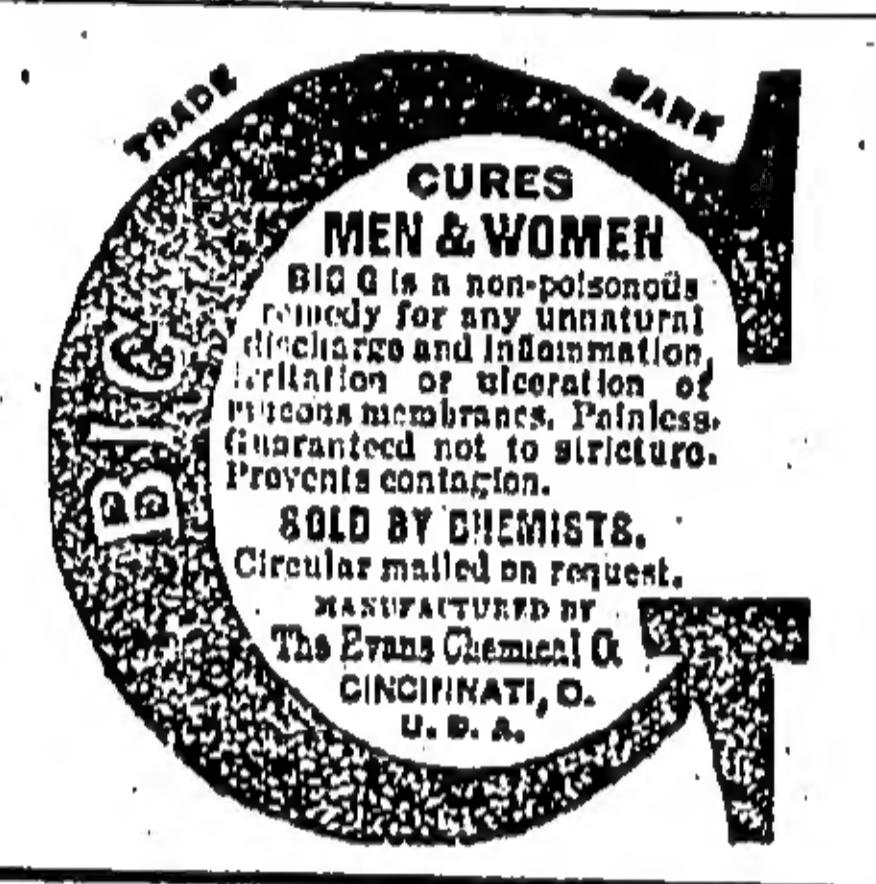
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Arrivals.

QUEEN ELEANOR, Br. s.s., 2,270, J. Breaks, 18th Apr., -Moji 11th Apr., Gen. -Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

CALIDONIEN, Fr. s.s., 2,089, Mariautei, 19th Apr., -Salon 16th Apr., Mails and Gen. Messageries Maritimes.

TONIN, Fr. s.s., 2,327, R. Schmitz, 19th Apr., -Shanghai 17th Apr., Mails and Gen. -Messageries Maritimes.

NANYANG, Ger. s.s., 1,660, E. Hass, 19th Apr., -Manila 16th Apr., Gen. -E. A. Trading Co.

HAITAN, Br. s.s., 1,168, J. S. Reach, 19th Apr., -Swatow 18th Apr., Gen. -Douglas, Lam & Co.

WOOSUNG, Br. s.s., 1,109, M. Dawson, 19th Apr., -Shanghai 15th Apr., Gen. -Butterfield & Swire.

TELEMACHUS, Br. s.s., 1,311, Jas. Williamson, 19th Apr., -Saigon 14th Apr., Rice, Flour and Cotton -Nam Wo & Co.

RICHMOND CASTLE, Br. s.s., 2,298, F. McDowell, 19th Apr., -Kobe via Moji and Shanghai 15th Apr., Gen. -Dowdell & Co., Ltd.

PEKIN, Br. s.s., 3,057, C. R. Longden, 19th Apr., -Moji 14th Apr., Gen. -P. & O. S. N. Co.

MONTCALM, Fr. s.s., 9,177, Benifay, 19th Apr., -Saigon 11th Apr.

SILVA, Ger. s.s., 4,212, Fager, 19th Apr., -Wilhelmsen 11th Apr., Gen. -Carbowi & Co.

FEICHING, Ch. s.s., 930, H. Spear, 19th Apr., -Canton 18th Apr., Gen. -C. M. S. N. Co.

HONG MOH, Br. s.s., 2,555, F. Stach, 20th Apr., -Penang and Singapore 11th Apr., Gen. -Joo Teck Seng.

KAIFU, Br. s.s., 1,024, G. H. Pennefather, 20th Apr., -Hilo 16th Apr., Gen. -Butterfield & Swire.

HIROSHIMA MARU, Jap. s.s., 2,035, J. Nagao, 20th Apr., -Yokohama 7th Apr., Gen. -Nippon Yulen Kaisha.

KASUGA MARU, Jap. s.s., 2,368, H. Fraser, 20th Apr., -Manila 18th Apr., Gen. -Nippon Yulen Kaisha.

YUENGBANG, Br. s.s., 1,128, P. H. Rolfe, 20th Apr., -Manila 17th Apr., Gen. -Jardine, Matheson & Co.

KWANGLEE, Ch. s.s., 1,468, R. Lincoln, 19th Apr., -Shanghai 16th Apr., Gen. -C. M. S. N. Co.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Kwangtung, for Canton.
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Chekiang, for Amoy.
Shantung, for Bangkok.
Macau, for Kwong-chow-wan.
Aparade, for Haiphong.
Chittagong, for Chekwan.
Chantau, for Wuchow.
Woosung, for Canton.
Chunming, for Swatow.
Hiroshima Maru, for Singapore.
Wingchak, for Macao.
Richmond Castle, for Manila.
Le Rhone, for Canton.

Departures.

April 19.

Caledonian, for Shanghai.

Daiya Maru, for Moji.

Daiji Maru, for Swatow.

April 20.

Lennox, for Manila.
Yonevaya Maru, for Saigon.
Keunun, for Nagasaki.
Marburg, for Yokohama.
Sabae Rickmers, for Singapore.
Tsurugisan Maru, for Moji.
Eikisan Maru, for Kuchinotzu.
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Arrivals—Arrived.

Per *Hong Moh*, from Penang, &c., 1,087 Chinese.
Per *Yennefus*, from Fagon—Mr. Anderson, and 165 Chinese.
Per *Sieu*, from Wilhelmshaven—20 Officers and 784 old ers.
Per *Woosung*, from Shanghai—Capt. and Mrs. Williams and 2 children, and Mr. Godwin.
Per *Hilary*, from Swatow—Mr. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Young, Lundy and 1 suite of the Viceroy of Min Chi and 375 Chinese.
Per *Ausung*, from Hilo—Mr. and Mrs. Manning, Mrs. Royle, Mrs. Wing Lee Hoo, Mrs. Smith, Messrs. E. Thomas, W. G. Smith, J. V. Calloway, R. Montinola, W. McMurphy, Lem Yee, Pedro Lem C. Sandquist, 27 Chinese and 1 Japanese.

Departed.

Per *Caledonian*, for Shanghai—Mr. and Mrs. Sin Tak Fan, daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Yu Che and daughter, Mrs. Lan Sha, Mrs. Chiu Ho, Misses Lo and Parker, Mrs. J. do Rorario and child, Messrs. E. Claude Newby, J. Faure, C. Piry, Ng Chit Me, Busing, Le Busing, Le Tez He, Rosati, Valpreda, Dr. Wan, and Rev. Holohan. For Kobe—Mr. Kidelar, Diomed.

Post Office.

A Mail will close for:

Canton—Per *Hankow*, to-morrow, 7.30 A.M., Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok—Per *Phra Chom K'la*, to-morrow, 8 A.M., Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per *Nam-sung*, to-morrow, 11 A.M., Singapore, Colombo and Bombay—Per *Perkin*, to-morrow, 11 A.M., Manila—Per *Richmond Castle*, to-morrow, 11 A.M.

Macau—Per *Hengchur*, to-morrow, 1.15 P.M., Manila, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per *Taiwan*, to-morrow, 3 P.M., Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria (B.C.) and Seattle, (U.S.A.)—Per *Kaga Maru*, to-morrow, 3 P.M., Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per *Hilary*, to-morrow, 3 P.M., Shanghai—Per *Anping*, to-morrow, 3 P.M., Shantung—Per *Kai-chu*, to-morrow, 4 P.M., Shantung—Per *Hurun*, to-morrow, 4 P.M., Canton—Per *Puun*, to-morrow, 5 P.M., Nantao—Per *Tai-er*, to-morrow, 5 P.M., Shanghai—Per *Melbourne*, to-morrow, 5 P.M., Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C. and Vancouver—Per *Empress of India*, 22nd inst., 11 A.M., Manila—Per *Rosemary Maru*, 22nd inst., 10 A.M., Manila—Per *Surakling*, 22nd inst., 3 P.M., Shanghai—Per *Pao-ting*, 22nd inst., 4 P.M., Shanghai—Per *Singan*, 23rd inst., 4 P.M., Moji—Per *Hurun*, to-morrow, 4 P.M., Canton—Per *Puun*, to-morrow, 5 P.M., Nantao—Per *Tai-er*, to-morrow, 5 P.M., 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